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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Docket No.: VAI 301B

Serial No. : 09/694,077

Art Unit 1639

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Examiner Jon D. Epperson

For : CHEMICAL-LIBRARY COMPOSITION AND METHOD

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the restriction requirement dated April 22, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

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Amendments to the Drawings	None
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In response to the Restriction Requirement, applicants make the following elections:

Subgroup 1: Species of particle and/or carrier

The Examiner required election of a single species of particle and/or carrier from subgroup 1 for the purposes of a search. In particular, the Examiner required election of (1) whether or not the particle/carrier is a combination of fused fibers of various colors, (2) the shape of the viewing surface, (3) the material used to make the particle/carrier, and (4) whether or not the particle/carrier contains a transparent and/or colored region.

Applicants make the following election for a species in subgroup 1:

A particle\carrier

- (1) having a combination of fused fibers of various colors,
- (2) having a polygonal viewing surface,
- (3) formed of glass, and
- (4) including a transparent region.

Claim 34-47 read on the elected species of subgroup 1.

Subgroup 2: Species of analyte

The Examiner required election of a single species from subgroup 2 for the purposes of a search. In particular, the Examiner required election of (1) an analyte such as oligonucleotides, oligopeptides, etc., and (2) covalent or noncovalent attachment of the analytes.

Applicants make the following election for a species in subgroup 2:

Oligonucleotide analytes attached covalently.

Claims 34-47 read on the elected species of subgroup 2.

Subgroup 3: Species of imaging device

The Examiner required election of a single species of imaging device for the purposes of a search. Applicants elect a CCD camera.

Claims 34-47 read on the elected species of subgroup 3.